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**Seed Crops** Hawaii Agricultural Statistics

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## Value of seed industry tops \$60 million

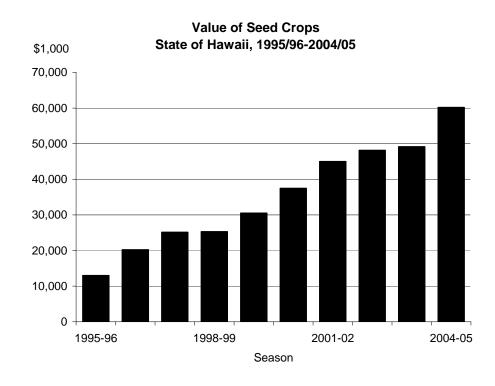
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The Hawaii Agricultural Statistics office estimates the value of Hawaii's seed industry at a record high \$60.2 million for the 2004/05 season. This preliminary estimate represents a 22 percent increase from 2003/04's revised estimate of \$49.2 million. Seed corn is expected to account for \$55.4 million, or 92 percent, of the total value in 2004/05. A variety of other seed crops will account for the remaining 8 percent.

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Outshipments of seed are anticipated to total a record high 6.8 million pounds during the 2004/05 season, up 5 percent from the previous record of 6.5 million pounds shipped during the 2003/04 season.

Acreage harvested for all seed crops is expected to total a record high 3,870 acres during the 2004/05 season, down 1 percent from the 2003/04 season. Heavy rains during the early part of this year did result in some loss of acreage.



## **SEED CROPS**

## Number of farms, acreage, outshipments, and value State of Hawaii, 1995/96-2004/05

Crop year <sup>1</sup>	Farms	Acreage by use				Total	Value <sup>2</sup>		
		Total	Nursery	Seed increase	Grow-out or observation	outshipments of seed	Total	Seed corn	Other seed crops
		acres				1,000 pounds		\$1,000	
199596	6	1,600	630	910	60	2,025	13,000	12,475	525
1996-97	6	1,780	625	1,060	95	3,160	20,250	19,030	1,220
1997-98	8	2,960	1,040	1,830	90	4,050	25,150	24,684	466
1998-99	8	3,070	1,120	1,870	80	5,000	25,300	24,620	680
1999-00	8	2,450	1,045	1,300	105	3,500	30,500	28,700	1,800
2000-01	7	2,900	655	2,130	115	4,800	37,500	36,400	1,100
2001-02	7	3,100	730	2,240	130	5,600	45,000	43,900	1,100
2002-03	7	3,900	1,210	2,580	110	5,850	48,145	47,060	1,085
2003-04 <sup>3</sup>	10	3,900	1,045	2,730	125	6,500	49,160	47,435	1,725
2004-05 4	10	3,870	1,110	2,610	150	6,800	60,200	55,405	4,795

Seed crops are grown year-round in Hawaii with the main season from November to June.
Value is based on sales or gross operational budgets.
Revised.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Preliminary.